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MAN SENTENCED TO 151 MONTHS FOR TRANSPORTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

RE: UNITED STATES v. WILLIAM H. HAYES

Michael A. Battle, the United States Attorney for the Western District of New York, announced that William H. Hayes, age 57, of 7025 Country Road 2, Bloomfield, New York, was sentenced today by the United States District Court Judge Charles J. Siragusa to 151 months imprisonment and fined \$2,500 in connection with his guilty plea in January 2005 to transporting child pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252A(a)(1), which charges a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 5 years and a maximum term of imprisonment of 30 years, a \$250,000 fine, or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard A. Resnick, who handled the case, stated that between January 2003 and March 2003, Hayes transported by computer numerous child pornography images to an undercover agent who Hayes believed was a 14 year old

female. Hayes agreed in his plea agreement that many of the child pornography images involved minors under the age of twelve years and portrayed sadistic conduct or other depictions of violence, and that he engaged in a pattern of activity involving the sexual abuse or exploitation of a minor.

The conviction in this case was the culmination of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Peter Ahearn.

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